

AGENCY ESTIMATE
OF THE FISCAL IMPACT OF IMPLEMENTING
HB 172 2011 General Session
Service Animal Amendments

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A. Short Form (For bills that have no impact on the state, local governments, businesses, or individuals.)

If you can check all five boxes to the right, you're almost done. If the bill obviously doesn't have an impact, you're done.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | State agencies will not require an appropriation to implement the bill. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | There is no fiscal impact on local governments. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | There is no fiscal impact on businesses |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | There is no fiscal impact on individuals. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | The bill will not affect revenues. |

If it isn't so obvious, explain what's going on. The most usual explanation is the codification of existing practices.

Attachments welcome.

If necessary, explain why this bill has no fiscal impact.

The bill proposes changing the language of "service animal" which would exclude "any dog" and no longer include "any animal" and may require individuals to... *Continued on second tab.*

B. What parts of the bill cause fiscal impact?

Cite specific sections or line numbers.

The fiscal impact of requiring individuals to use animals other than what is currently allowed may ... *Continued on second tab.*

C. Which program gets the appropriation?

Enter 3 letter Appropriation Unit Code.

For multiple appropriations

This is of

D. Work Notes: Assumptions, calculations & what are we buying?

Explain the fiscal impact in plain English, detailing your assumptions, methods, & calculations.

List all direct costs. Identify one-time and ongoing costs. Detail FTE impacts.

Do not say, "\$50,000 in Current Expense." Be very specific about what this \$50,000 will buy.

Attachments encouraged.

The bill proposes a change in definition to follow the federal definition (see line 13), but doesn't cite which federal regulation. A review of the requirements outlined in - 35.136 Service Animals Code of Federal Regulations related to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) specifically allows the use of miniature horses and has other criteria that does not match up exactly to this bill (see attached - HB 175 - 35.136 Service Animals - Code of Federal Regulations.pdf). Excluding animals other than a dog and those used to provide: deterrent to crime, emotional support; well being; comfort; or companionship will restrict locations these animal were previously allowed and ... *Continued on second tab.*

E. REVENUES

Select Fund

Current Budget Year
FY 2011

Coming Budget Year
FY 2012

Future Budget Year
FY 2013

Total

0

0

0

F. COSTS by FUND

Select Fund

Current Budget Year
FY 2011

Coming Budget Year
FY 2012

Future Budget Year
FY 2013

Total

0

0

0

G. COSTS by EXPENDITURE CATEGORY.

Expenses by Category

Personal Services
Travel
Current Expense
DP Current Expense
DP Capital Outlay
Capital Outlay
Other/Pass Thru

Current Budget Year
FY 2011

Coming Budget Year
FY 2012

Future Budget Year
FY 2013

Total

0

0

0

H. Non-State Impacts

Your estimate of how will the bill affect:

Local Governments

Schools are required to adhere to the Code of Federal Regulations which would be in direct conflict with certain areas of the proposed bill. Animals other than dogs that meet the purpose(s)... *Continued on second tab.*

Businesses

By restricting "service animals" that meet the criteria outlined in the bill, business would no longer be required to admit animals they may have had to previously. Individuals who are no longer able to... *Continued on second tab.*

Individuals

Owners of animals that don't meet the criteria in the changed definition of "service animals" will either need to obtain an animal that meets the new definition or no longer be allowed to take their animals into public situations.

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A. Short Form - continued from first tab...

incur the cost of obtaining a different animal to meet the requirement change(s). School districts and charter school staff may be required to obtain specialized training in dealing with specifically accepted animals and the students they accompany. The requirement of having younger students with service animals leaves to question who is responsible to take animals out to the restroom, restraint of animals, etc. In addition if there is a student housed in the same class as a student with a service animal who is allergic or afraid to the point of not being able to function properly, there would be an added impact to make accommodations along with disruption of students .

B. What parts of the bill cause fiscal impact continued from first tab...

have varied solutions which cannot be easily quantified.

C. Which program gets the appropriation continued from first tab...

D. Work Notes: continued from Tab 1 continued from first tab...

would either eliminate the option of individuals taking animals places they were previously able or would require individuals to purchase a different animal that meets the new requirements. Reference to the Code of Federal Regulations can be found at the following website - <http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?type=simple;c=ecfr;cc=ecfr;sid=509e39f4274033c6c98c42b16d163cb7;region=DIV1;q1=Entity;rgn=div7;view=text;idno=20100915;node=20100915%3A1.0.14>

E. REVENUES continued from first tab...

F. COSTS by FUND *continued from first tab...*

G. COSTS by EXPENDITURE CATEGORY *continued from first tab...*

H. Non-State Impacts *continued from first tab...*

and criteria outlined in the bill, will no longer be allowed in schools , which could reduce problems and distractions previously encountered in schools and other public places.

take restricted animals into public may not frequent public places as they had, which may reduce revenues of businesses.